

# 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> Machine Pitch Rules

### **Batting:**

- 1. Each batter and as well as the on-deck hitter, must wear a helmet.
- 2. There are no walks.
- 3. Batter will have 5 hittable pitches to put the ball in play before being retired to the dugout. Umpire will determine if a pitch is considered hittable.
- 4. Every member of the team is placed in the batting order. Players arriving late will be placed at the end of the batting lineup.
- 5. Maximum diameter bats allowed 2 3/4 or 2 5/8. We will follow the USSSA current restricted bat list.

## **Base Running:**

- 1. No Stealing Bases.
- 2. Runners cannot leave the base until the ball is hit by a batter.
- 3. There is no extra base awarded on an overthrow.
- 4. 6 run limit per team in each inning.
- 5. Once the ball breaks the plane of the infield dirt, the runners will stop at the appropriate base.

### Fielding:

- 1. 10 players take the field defensively with free substitution.
- 2. No more than 5 infielders. (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Shortstop, and Pitcher).
- 3. Pitcher must be on either side or behind the pitching machine.
- 4. It is required that each team member play at least one half of the game defensively.

#### **General:**

- 1. The umpire will feed the pitching machine and take control of the game.
- 2. Only players registered to your team are permitted to play.
- 3. One defensive coach may stand on the grass, behind the players, to help direct. Outfielders should be at least 10' behind the infield dirt.
- 4. No new inning after 60 minutes of play
- 5. Home team takes 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout.

#### **HAVE FUN!!**